(ख) रेलों द्वारा किए गए विभिन्न उपायों में अतिरिक्त काउंटरों की व्यवस्था करना और आरक्षण काउंटरों के कार्य-घंटों में वृद्धि करना शामिल है.

(ग) क्षेत्रीय रेलों द्वारा अप्रैल-जून, 1993 की अवधि के दौरान जारी की गई आरक्षित टिकटों की संख्या इस प्रकार थी:—

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| अप्रैल | - | 10.8 मिलियन |
| मई | - | 15.2 मिलियन |
| जून | - | 10.1 मिलियन |

**Direction regarding foreign trip of Ministers**

*639. **SHRI P. UPENDRA**: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a directive has been issued to all Ministers to provide valid reasons for every foreign trip they intend to make; and

(b) if so, how many Ministers have made foreign trips since 1st January, 1994 and what was the propose of their visit?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SB. CHAVAN): (a) Guidelines have been issued for Ministerial visits abroad which, *inter alia,* require full justification for the trip, adequate spade work prior to the visit and clearance by Ministry of External Affairs and the PM.

(b) Based on available information the following Ministers undertook foreign visits during 1-1-1994 to 31-3-1994.

| Name of the Minister | Date of Visit | Purpose | Country Visited |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sh. Ajit kumar Panja | 9—15 Jan., 94 | On invitation from Govt. of China. | China |
| Smt. Sheila Kaul | 30-1-94 to 4-2-94 | In connection with handing over of Indira Gandhi Memorial Hospital. | Maldives |
| Sh. Sukh Ram | 7—9 Feb., 94 | To attend a seminar on strengthening of Coopn. in the field of Telecommunication. | Mauritius |
| | 21—29 March, 94 | To participate in the World Telecommunication Development Conference, 1994 & ITU. | Argentina |